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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

***Election/Restrictions***

1. Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C.

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I. Claims 1-12, drawn to method and apparatus for routing calls from wireless subscribers based upon mass media events, classified in class 455, subclass 445.

II. Claims 13-19, drawn to method for providing information to a wireless device, classified in class 455, subclass 466.

III. Claims 20-24, and 26 drawn to method for providing information to users via communication device based upon the dial digit, classified in class 455, subclass 414.1-414.2.

IV. Claim 25, drawn to database to data records associated with a plurality of wireless network subscribers, classified in class 455, subclass 419.

2. The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:

Inventions I , II, III and IV are related as combination and subcombination. Inventions in this relationship are distinct if it can be shown that (1) the combination as claimed does not require the particulars of the subcombination as claimed for patentability, and (2) that the subcombination has utility by itself or in other combinations (MPEP § 806.05(c)). In the instant case, the combination as claimed does not require the particulars of the subcombination as claimed

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because the first group relates to the method and apparatus for routing calls from wireless subscribers base upon mass media event, the second group relates to the method for providing information to a wireless device that is in communication with a wireless network based upon monitoring the status of the wireless device, the third group relates to the method for providing information to users via communication device based upon the dial digit, and the fourth group relates to database to data records associated with a plurality of wireless network subscribers.

3. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a separate status in the art as shown by their different classification, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.

4. A telephone call was made to an attorney Mr. Michael Fogarty III on Aug. 10, 2004 to request an oral election to the above restriction requirement.

5. Mr. Michael Fogarty III called back on Aug. 12 , 2004 to request the restriction action to be sent for reviewing before making the selection.

6. Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

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7. Applicant is reminded that upon the cancellation of claims to a non-elected invention, the inventorship must be amended in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(b) if one or more of the currently named inventors is no longer an inventor of at least one claim remaining in the application. Any amendment of inventorship must be accompanied by a request under 37 CFR 1.48(b) and by the fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(i).

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